

# **Abstract Submission Guidelines for the ICCVAM/NICEATM/ECVAM Scientific Workshop on Alternative Methods to Refine, Reduce and Replace the Mouse LD<sub>50</sub> Assay For Botulinum Toxin Testing**

ICCVAM, NICEATM, and ECVAM invite the submission of abstracts for scientific posters to be displayed during the workshop. Posters should address current developments and/or the validation status of alternative test methods for *in vivo* botulinum toxin tests and their potential to reduce, refine, or replace the use of the mouse LD<sub>50</sub> assay.

## **Requirements for Submission:**

- Abstract body is limited to 400 words or less.
- Key references relevant to the abstract may be included after the abstract body.
- Abstract length and references should not exceed one page.
- Font must be at least 12-point.
- All margins for the document should be no smaller than one inch.
- Title information should include the names of all authors and their affiliations.
- The name and contact information (i.e., address, phone number, fax number, e-mail address) for the corresponding or senior author should be provided at the end of the abstract.

## **Additional Requirements:**

- All abstracts that involve studies using animals or animal tissues should be accompanied by a statement from the senior author certifying that all animal use was carried out in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and guidelines, and that the appropriate Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee approved the studies.
- All abstracts involving studies using humans should be accompanied by a statement from the senior author certifying that all human use was conducted in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and guidelines, and that the appropriate Institutional Review Board approved the studies.

Abstracts should be submitted by email to [niceatm@niehs.nih.gov](mailto:niceatm@niehs.nih.gov) by close of business on September 29, 2006.

ICCVAM and NICEATM will review the submitted abstracts. The corresponding author will be notified of the abstract's acceptance, along with guidelines for the poster format, approximately five weeks prior to the workshop.